

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

JOY MCSHAN EDWARDS,

Defendant.

Case No. 2:17-cr-170

CHIEF JUDGE EDMUND A. SARGUS, JR.

**OPINION AND ORDER**

The Court sentenced Defendant Joy McShan Edwards on May 24, 2018. During that hearing, Defendant moved to continue her release on bond pending the appeal in this matter.

Before releasing a defendant pending appeal, the district court must make two findings. It must find (1) by clear and convincing evidence that the defendant is not likely to flee or pose a danger to the safety of any other person or the community if released and (2) that the appeal is not for the purpose of delay and raises a substantial question of law or fact likely to result in reversal, an order for a new trial, a sentence that does not include a term of imprisonment, or a reduced sentence to a term of imprisonment less than the total of the time already served plus the expected duration of the appeal process. 18 U.S.C. § 3143(b); *United States v. Chilingirian*, 280 F.3d 704, 709 (6th Cir. 2002).

For the reasons stated on the record during the May 24 sentencing hearing, the Court concludes that (1) Defendant is not a flight risk and does not pose a danger to any other person or the community and (2) Defendant's appeal is not for the purpose of delay and raises a substantial question of law. According, the Court **GRANTS** Defendant's motion, and Defendant may

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

**EDMUND A. SARGUS, JR.**  
**CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**